

TO REDESIGNATE THE FACILITY OF THE BUREAU OF RECLAMATION LOCATED AT 19550 KELSO ROAD IN BYRON, CALIFORNIA, AS THE "C.W. 'BILL' JONES PUMPING PLANT"

OCTOBER 17, 2005.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. POMBO, from the Committee on Resources,
submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H.R. 2383]

The Committee on Resources, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 2383) to redesignate the facility of the Bureau of Reclamation located at 19550 Kelso Road in Byron, California, as the "C.W. 'Bill' Jones Pumping Plant", having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of H.R. 2383 is to redesignate the facility of the Bureau of Reclamation located at 19550 Kelso Road in Byron, California, as the "C.W. 'Bill' Jones Pumping Plant."

BACKGROUND AND NEED FOR LEGISLATION

When first authorized in 1935, the federal Central Valley Project contained three divisions: the Friant, Kennett, and the Contra Costa (since renamed Delta). The Delta Division provides for the transport of water through the central portion of the Central Valley, including the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. The main features of the Delta Division are the Delta Cross Channel, Contra Costa Canal, Tracy Pumping Plant, and the Delta-Mendota Canal.

Located in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, the Tracy Pumping Plant was constructed in 1951. It consists of an inlet channel, pumping plant, and discharge pipes. Water in the delta is lifted 197 feet into the Delta-Mendota Canal. The water is then pumped through three 15-foot-diameter discharge pipes and carried approximately 1 mile up to the Delta-Mendota Canal.

To honor the contributions Mr. C.W. "Bill" Jones made to California water policy, H.R. 2383 will redesignate the Tracy Pumping Plant as the "C.W. 'Bill' Jones Pumping Plant." As a pioneer in water development, Jones was appointed to the State Water Com-

mission in 1968 by then Governor Ronald Reagan. He also served for 20 years as the President of the Delta-Mendota Water Authority, and was a director of the Firebaugh Canal Company for over 40 years. Mr. Jones passed away in 2003, and this legislation was created at the urging of California water officials and with the blessing of the Jones family.

COMMITTEE ACTION

H.R. 2383 was introduced on May 16, 2005, by Congressman Devin Nunes (R-CA). The bill was referred to the Committee on Resources, and within the Committee to the Subcommittee on Water and Power. On September 22, 2005, the Full Resources Committee met to consider the bill. The Subcommittee on Water and Power was discharged from further consideration of the bill by unanimous consent. No amendments were offered and the bill was ordered favorably reported to the House of Representatives by unanimous consent.

COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Regarding clause 2(b)(1) of rule X and clause 3(c)(1) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Resources' oversight findings and recommendations are reflected in the body of this report.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Article I, section 8 of the Constitution of the United States grants Congress the authority to enact this bill.

COMPLIANCE WITH HOUSE RULE XIII

1. Cost of Legislation. Clause 3(d)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives requires an estimate and a comparison by the Committee of the costs which would be incurred in carrying out this bill. The Committee has concluded that this bill, which merely names an existing pumping plant in California for C.W. "Bill" Jones, will have a minimal impact on the federal government. The only costs involved will be to the Bureau of Reclamation for new signage.

2. Congressional Budget Act. As required by clause 3(c)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 308(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, this bill does not contain any new budget authority, spending authority, credit authority, or an increase or decrease in revenues or tax expenditures.

3. General Performance Goals and Objectives. This bill does not authorize funding and therefore, clause 3(c)(4) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives does not apply.

4. Congressional Budget Office Cost Estimate. Under clause 3(c)(3) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 403 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Committee has requested but not received a cost estimate for this bill from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office. However, based on discussions with the staff of the Congressional Budget Office, any impact on the federal budget will be minuscule.

COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC LAW 104-4

This bill contains no unfunded mandates.

PREEMPTION OF STATE, LOCAL OR TRIBAL LAW

This bill is not intended to preempt any State, local or tribal law.

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW

If enacted, this bill would make no changes in existing law.

